## **Recycling Public Advisory Council**

## Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 9, 2015

Location: Grotto Pizza - Dover, 1159 N. DuPont Hwy

Dover, DE 19901

Members present: BJ Vinton, Chairman (CSWSC)

Paul Bickhart (Recycling Industry) Charles Campbell-King (Public)

Dick Cecil (DE Association of Counties)

Marjorie Crofts (DNREC)

Stan Mills (League of Local Governments)

Mike Parkowski (DSWA)

Coralie Pryde (League of Women Voters) Brian Nixon (DE Chamber of Commerce) Wendy Turner (Mt. Pleasant Elementary) Bob Ziegler (Waste Hauler Industry) Marianne Cinaglia (DelEASI)

Members absent: George Danneman (Soda Beverage Industry)

Julie Miro Wenger (Del. Food Industry Council)

Adam Webster (Restaurant Industry)

Non-members present: Bill Miller (DNREC)

Jim Short (DNREC)

Nancy Marker (DNREC) Kim Jarrell (DNREC)

#### Call to Order, Introductions

BJ Vinton called the meeting to order at approximately 1:40PM.

**Public Comments - None** 

## **Approval of October 28, 2015 Meeting Minutes**

The October meeting minutes were unanimously approved as written.

14<sup>th</sup> Annual Report – Jim S. reviewed the draft Annual Report. He explained that the statewide diversion rate had actually dropped very slightly from 41.9% for 2013 to 41.8% for 2014. He reviewed some content changes from previous years. There was considerable discussions, particularly around the Recommendations section. Ultimately, the Council voted to approve the draft Annual Report with some of the edits discussed. Jim S. would make the changes and send to the Chairman for review before distributing the final report to the Council, the General Assembly and the Governor.

**Universal Recycling Grants – Cycle 7** – Bill M. explained that the Department had drafted the revised grant guidance for this next cycle; Cycle 7. However, there has been a delay because of staffing. The Department plans to send the revised Guidance Document to the Council for review in the near future.

**SCR 35 Organic Task Force (OTF) update** – The group met on December 7<sup>th</sup> and agreed to use the next meeting to discuss the OTF draft report.

Council By-Laws – Deferred until next meeting.

**Recycling Market update** – Recyclables markets continue to be weak.

**Attendance Policy** – Deferred until next meeting.

**Old/New Business** – No discussion

**Additional Public Comments - None** 

**Scheduling Meetings January 2016 through June 2016** – Tabled until next meeting. But next meeting scheduled for January 20, 2016 at 1:30 in Dover (location TBD).

# Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:20PM.